IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING ACIDIC GAS FROM RAW GAS, AND

ADDITIVE HAVING CORROSION SUPPRSSING EFFECT AND DEFOAMING EFFECT FOR ADDITION TO AMINE SOLUTION FOR

REMOVING ACID GAS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: